

**Question for written answer E-004140/2021**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Screening of evacuated people from Afghanistan

The evacuations by several European countries have now been completed. We are now waiting anxiously to see how the situation will evolve.

According to various media outlets, several Afghans were placed under surveillance upon arrival in Europe, including five Afghans in France, because of possible links to the Taliban or because of a security risk. According to a spokesman for the German Minister of the Interior, fewer than 10 people with criminal records in Germany were discovered during checks.

The Federal Police in Belgium are also warning that potentially violent persons could board an evacuation plane and thus end up on European soil.

1. How are the screenings of the evacuated people carried out? Is the system as watertight as it can possibly be?
2. What steps is the Commission taking to prevent extremists or violent people from being flown into European territory?
3. What lessons has the Commission drawn from the chaotic evacuation of people from Afghanistan?